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Report Highlights:

The Government of India has amended the Directorate General of Foreign Trade's (DGFT) Import Policy 2012 to reflect the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries standing import requirements for equines, bovine embryos, animal feed preparations, and hides & skins.

General Information:

The Government of India has amended the [Directorate General of Foreign Trade's \(DGFT\) Import Policy 2012](#) to reflect the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (DAHDF) standing import requirements for equines, bovine embryos, animal feed preparations, and hides & skins (for these requirements, see links at the end of this report). No changes have been made to existing import requirements. The notification updates DGFT's Import Policy 2012 to reflect existing regulations within the Ministry of Agriculture.

Disclaimer: This summary is based on a *cursory* review of the subject announcement and therefore should not under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests.

Type of Regulation: Notified Change

Important Dates:

- Publication Date: June 11, 2013
- Date of Implementation: With immediate effect
- WTO Notification Date: Not notified (as of June 25, 2013)

Products Affected: Equines, bovine embryos, animal feed preparations, and hides & skins.

Agency in Charge: Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India.

The full text of the amendment as give in the notification S.O.1514(E) issued by the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry is given below.

MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(Department of Commerce)
NOTIFICATION
New Delhi, the 11th June, 2013
No. 18 (RE-2013)/2009-2014

Subject: Import of livestock products—Amendment in ITC (HS) 2012, Schedule 1 (Import Policy).

S.O. 1514(E).—In exercise of powers conferred by Section 5 of the Foreign Trade (Development and Regulation) Act, 1992 (No. 22 of 1992), read with paragraph 2.1 of the Foreign Trade Policy, 2009-2014, as

amended from time to time, the Central Government hereby makes the following amendments in ITC (HS) 2012, Schedule 1 (Import Policy):

- a. The following Policy Conditions are revised /inserted in Chapter 1:
 - i. Policy Condition 2 (b) (iii) is revised and substituted as under:

"A health certificate as per the India's requirements issued either by the official veterinarian or by a veterinary doctor authorized to issue an export certificate by the Government of the country of origin shall be furnished at the time of custom clearance."
 - ii. Policy Condition 2 (b) (iv) is inserted as under:

"Importer shall furnish information on the age, sex and breed of horses as well as the purpose of import with supporting documents at the time of filing application to the DGFT".
 - b. The following Policy Condition is inserted in Chapter 2 (Policy Condition 3); Chapter 3 (Policy Condition 3); Chapter 4 (Policy Condition 4); Chapter 5 (Policy Condition 4); Chapter 16 (Policy Condition 1); and Chapter 21 (Policy Condition 2):

"Import of all livestock products shall be subject to a sanitary import permit to be issued by Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries, Government of India, as per Section 3A of Livestock Importation Act, 1898, as incorporated by Live Stock Importation (Amendment) Act, 2001 (Act No. 28 of 2001, 29th August, 2001), or as amended from time to time."
 - c. The following Policy Condition is inserted in Chapter 5 (Policy Condition 5):

"Import of Bovine Embryos shall be subject to compliance of the guidelines issued by Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries. The guidelines are available at 'www.dahd.nic.in' under icon 'trade' at 'Procedure for Import'."
 - d. The following Policy Condition is inserted in Chapter 23 (Policy Condition 1):

"Import of all items / products under ITC (HS) Code 2309 'Preparations of a kind used in Animal Feeding' shall be subject to a sanitary import permit to be issued by Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries, Government of India, as per Section 3A of Live-stock Importation Act, 1898, as incorporated by Live Stock Importation (Amendment) Act, 2001 (Act No. 28 of 2001, 29th August, 2001), or as amended from time to time."
 - e. The following Policy Condition is inserted in Chapter 41 (Policy Condition 2); Chapter 42 (Policy Condition 1) and Chapter 43 (Policy Condition 1):

"Import of all live-stock products covered in this Chapter shall be subject to the provisions of Notification No. S.O. 794(E), dated 28.3.2008."
- 2. Effect of this notification:**
 Requirements of Sanitary Import Permit issued by Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries, GoI have been incorporated under relevant Chapters of ITC(HS), 2012.

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The DAHDF procedures for import can be accessed at the links below:

1. [Procedure for import of Livestock products into India](#)
2. [Sanitary conditions/Health Protocols for various products](#)
3. [Guideline for Import/Export of Bovine Germplasm](#)
4. [Proforma for submitting proposals for introduction of live Aquatic Organisms](#)
5. [Import Health certificate for import of Dog into India](#)

6. [Animal health certificate for import of in vivo bovine embryo in to India](#)
7. [Veterinary certificate for import of skin/hides into India](#)
8. [Procedure for import of Dairy Items](#)
9. [Veterinary certificate for import of milk and milk products](#)
10. [Veterinary Certificate for Import of Canine Semen into India](#)
11. [Veterinary Certificate for Import of Equine Semen into India](#)
12. [Veterinary Certificate for Import of Ovine / Caprine Semen into India](#)
13. [Animal Health Certificate for Import of Porcine Semen into India](#)